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To: Kathleen Abernathy
Date: Fri, Apr 4, 2003 9:59 PM

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Hello Commissioner Abernathy.

Ijust finished watching Bill Moyer's show NOW on PBS and his report on the FCC's probable decision to relax the rules on media ownership thereby allowing most if not all of the countries broadcast media to be consolidated into the hands of a few powerful men -yes men, not corporations, and I must say PLEASE DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN. Please don't allow conglomerates to own the press. This will be a huge error on the part of the US Government if permitted to go further. In fact, in my estimation, it is already a huge blunder to have surrendered to big business as much as has already been surrendered on this issue.

I found myself agreeing with Mr. Moyer and the piece reporter, and I found myself astounded that this issue - the impending decision to deregulate this ownership - has got little or no public airing. Please do what you can bring more public exposure and debate on this.

Regardless of the public debate, I want you to know that I am opposed to the concept of permitting a few corporations to own all the media. III say it again - I am opposed to this. Please do what you can to make this right - to keep the press free by encouraging competition in all aspects.

Respectfully, Marty Lagon Baltimore, Maryland From: Mark Miller To: Mike Powell

Date: Fri, Apr **4**, 2003 10:28 PM

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To: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

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Varmazis

To:

Mike Powell

Date:

Fri, Apr 4, 2003 10:46 PM

Subject:

No more media consolidation

Dear Mr. Powell:

I watched Bill Moyers' NOW program tonight **(414103)** and I am appalled at the virtual monopolization of the public airwaves by a few corporate conglomerates. There is no way we can have multiple points of view expressed if just a few companies own all the media outlets! We need more diverse voices in this country, not fewer.

I find it ironic that, as this nation is at war supposedly to bring democracy to the Iraqis. at home we are encouraging the demise of democracy by essentially closing down avenues of public discourse.

We need a lot more public debate on this issue before any new laws are passed. I am writing to my senators and congressman to let them know where I stand.

Sincerely, Catherine Varmazis Chelmsford, MA **01824** From: jcw1733@aol.com
To: Kathleen Abernathy
Date: Fri. Apr 4, 2003 11:02 PM

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L. Lynn LeSueur

To: Date: Commissioner Adelstein Fri, Apr 4, 2003 11:03 PM

Subject:

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